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Atlas Copco to acquire German service and tightening specialist

Stockholm, Sweden, September 21, 2006: Atlas Copco Holding GmbH has signed a contract to acquire the service and consulting company Technisches Büro Böhm GmbH (TBB), Germany, specializing in tightening technologies. TBB had an annual turnover of approximately MSEK 54 (MEUR 6) in 2005 and 30 employees. The acquisition is expected to close October 31, 2006.

Technisches Büro Böhm GmbH (TBB), based in Bavaria, Germany, specializes in services and consulting for tightening technologies, such as calibration, tightening and process analysis, training and repairs. It is also a distributor of Atlas Copco BLM products. The main customer group is the German automotive industry.

"The service business is very important for Atlas Copco Industrial Technique. With the acquisition of TBB, we will strengthen our offering in the service and consulting area and improve our base for strong growth," says Fredrik Möller, Business Area President, Atlas Copco Industrial Technique.

TBB will be part of Atlas Copco Tools and Assembly Systems within the Industrial Technique business area. It will continue to operate under its current name.

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